

timeless dedication to the men, women and children of our great city.●

#### SPIRIT MOUND

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President I rise today to recognize the Spirit Mound Trust and the State of South Dakota in their efforts to preserve and maintain the historic Spirit Mound site located near Vermillion, SD. Recently, 320 acres of the Spirit Mound site were acquired through the collaborative efforts and active involvement of the local community, the State of South Dakota and the Federal Government.

On August 24, 1804, Lewis and Clark stopped near present day Vermillion, SD, and walked nearly 9 miles in temperatures over 100 degrees to a hill that native people thought was inhabited by devils 18-24 inches high. When Lewis and Clark reached the top of the mound, they saw the great northern plains buffalo herds below them, the beautiful Missouri River valley and even present day Iowa and Nebraska.

As the Lewis and Clark bicentennial approaches, it is estimated that between 15-30 million enthusiasts will retrace the expedition's footsteps. This provides a unique opportunity for many to visit and enjoy South Dakota's beautiful and historic landscape. A restored Spirit Mound will significantly contribute to the public's appreciation of Native culture, the Lewis and Clark expedition and the natural beauty of South Dakota's prairie. Also, the W.H. Over Museum in Vermillion, SD, has established a Lewis and Clark/Spirit Mound Learning and Information Center. This center will help educate visitors about the historical role Spirit Mound played in the Lewis and Clark expedition.

The Spirit Mound Trust, a group that has long advocated the preservation of the Spirit Mound site, was established in 1986 with the goal of raising the necessary money to purchase and restore the area to its native prairie landscape. The acquisition and restoration of Spirit Mound would not have become a reality if it were not for the leadership and perseverance of this local group. In the group's 15 year history, 17 board members—past and present—are responsible for Spirit Mound's current preservation. Those members are: Larry Monfore, Dr. Loren Carlson, Mark Wetmore, Margaret Cash, Dr. William Farber, Dr. Thomas Gasque, Amond Hanson, Dr. Jim Heisinger, Dr. Jim Peterson, Charles Wetmore, James Antonen, Dr. Betty Asher, Dr. Leonard Brugier, Dr. Jerry Johnson, Jim Kruger, Dr. Fred Peabody, and Dr. Webster Sill.

Governor William J. Janklow and his staff also played an important role in the acquisition of the Spirit Mound site. Governor Janklow has been steadfast in his support for state participation in the Spirit Mound project. Tim Bjork, who is the director of the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation, negotiated the purchase price of the

land. Without his leadership and tenacity, the acquisition of Spirit Mound would have never been accomplished.

I would also be remiss if I did not thank my former staff member and Vermillion native, Sarah Dahlin. Because of her tireless work and dedication to this project, we are now able to celebrate the eventual preservation of one of the very few physical features of the Upper Missouri River readily identifiable as a place where Lewis and Clark actually stood. With Sarah's assistance, I am pleased that we were able to secure sufficient federal funds to purchase the Spirit Mound acreage and to pass legislation authorizing this unique federal-state partnership.

Future generations will thank all of those who have sacrificed time, effort and money for this project. The preservation of Spirit Mound will enable all Americans to better appreciate what the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery experienced nearly 200 years ago.●

#### TONY AND MARGARET RADOSEVICH

● Mr. WELLSTONE. Mr. President, I rise today to talk about two extraordinary and significant people, Tony and Margaret Radosevich. Let me tell you about these people, let me tell you what they mean to their church, to their community and to their family.

It is people like Tony and Marg Radosevich, first generation Americans, the very salt of the earth, who through hard work, strong ethics and clear vision, quite literally helped make northern Minnesota a wonderful place to live and raise a family—a place that strongly values education, democracy and hard work. Tony and Marg have lived their faith, standing up for their beliefs, putting them into action and teaching their children and community to do the same.

On a personal note, I know these people well. It is their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 5, 2001. They are celebrating 50 years of loving, laughing, and discussions around the diningroom table. Marg and Tony have raised seven children, opening their home to their children's friends and foreign exchange students. Marg is known for her ability to put a feast on the table with only minutes notice. I, myself, have been the beneficiary of her wonderful cooking and their joint hospitality.

I want to take a moment today to recognize these good and decent people, the true heroes and heroines of our time. Tony and Marg, you are well loved. I wish you all the best as you, your family and friends celebrate your 50 years together.●

#### COMMENDATION OF ANDY ROBINSON

● Mr. REED. Mr. President, I rise to congratulate and commend one of my constituents, Andy Robinson of Narragansett, RI. At the end of last year,

Andy Robinson retired from teaching after thirty years in the classroom. This Sunday his family, friends and innumerable former students will celebrate Andy's career and the impact he has had on the lives of so many Rhode Islanders. Andy Robinson is a model public servant and I would like to take a few minutes to express my appreciation for his commitment to our community.

Born and raised in East Providence, Andy graduated from my alma mater, LaSalle Academy. After receiving his bachelors degree from Providence College, Andy became a student teacher at Narragansett Junior High School. He then took a position for three years as a social studies teacher at Burrillville Junior-Senior High School while completing his masters degree at Providence College.

In 1975 Andy accepted a job as a social studies teacher at Narragansett High School, and I doubt he imagined at the time that he would dedicate the next 25 years to forming the minds of the students attending that school. Andy worked hard to improve and broaden the social studies program at Narragansett High School. He introduced Project Close-Up, Rhode Island Project Insight, the Rhode Island Model Legislature Program, the Mock Trial Program, the Junior Achievement Applied Economics Program and the Center for Civic Education "We the People" Program and Constitution Competition. He also obtained a federal grant to bring the Youth and the Law Program to the School. Andy served as the Social Studies Department Chair, a member of the school Steering Committee, a member of the School Based Improvement Team, and a member of the Review Committee for National Standards in Social Studies. For his endless energy and unflagging commitment to education, Andy has received the "Ocean State Center for Law And Citizenship Education Outstanding Law Educator" and is named in Who's Who in American Education.

Moreover, Andy's public service did not end in the classroom. From 1968 to 1989, Andy served in the Rhode Island National Guard. He has held positions in the Narragansett Lions Club, the Narragansett Democratic Town Committee and the Eastward Look Property Owner Association. He continues to serve as a member of the Narragansett Chamber of Commerce, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of South County, the Board of Incorporators South County Hospital, the Prout School Board and the Prout School Academic Affairs Committee.

Andy shares his commitment to the community with his wife Jane, who is a teacher at the Narragansett Elementary School. Together they raised two daughters, Catherine, who will soon begin serving the U.S. Army as a JAG, and Elizabeth who is carrying on the family tradition as a teacher of special education in Virginia.